Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Monday 03 May 2021 until 23:59 on Tuesday 04 May 2021

Forecast Issued on Monday 03 May 2021 at 02:41 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for generally showery and seasonally cold for the coming days. Medium for details on Monday, due to the relatively nearness of a front that affects central and south Scotland.

Headline for Monday 03 May 2021: Rather cloudy and showery. Conditions turning increasingly difficult from south.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 03 May 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
Low Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Light snow	Light snow	Light snow	Light snow
Precipitation probability					
<05%	20%	40%	50%	50%	50%

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Weather: Mainly dry, bright start. Higher cloud soon feeding from the south bringing showers from mid-morning, snow level around 500m, these more isolated to north of the A835, but potentially merging to longer periods of snow and rain across southern ranges for this afternoon and evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 90% at first, lowering from mid-day to 20% in south and 60% in north.

Visibility: Initially good or very good, lowering moderate to poor in rain, very poor in snow and hill fog, with bases becoming broken to extensive from 500-800m as conditions deteriorate from the south later.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	15/18 SE	22/28 E	27/36 E	33/43 E	35/45 E	30/39 NE	26/34 N
900	14/17 SE	21/27 E	26/35 E	31/41 E	33/43 E	28/37 NE	23/31 N
600	12/15 SE	16/23 E	22/30 E	25/36 E	25/35 NE	22/31 NE	18/26 N
300	5/13 E	8/21 E	10/28 E	11/34 E	10/35 E	9/31 NE	7/26 N
Glen	10/13 E	13/23 E	17/31 E	20/37 E	18/35 NE	15/30 NE	14/28 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-2/-8	-2/-9	-1/-10	-2/-10	-2/-11	-3/-11	-3/-11
900	-1/-7	-1/-8	-0/-8	-1/-9	-1/-10	-2/-10	-2/-10
600	2/-3	2/-4	2/-4	2/-5	1/-6	1/-6	0/-6
300	3/1	5/2	5/2	4/1	4/0	3/-0	2/-0
Glen	6/3	8/4	8/4	8/3	7/2	6/2	5/1
Freezing Level*	700m	700m	700m	800m	700m	700m	600m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Conditions becoming increasingly hazardous in southern and then central ranges from mid-day with increasing wind chill at height in the summit gales, this coupled with hill fog in snow and rain.

Forecast for Tuesday 04 May 2021

Weather: A seasonally cold day of showers, these most frequent through the morning and early afternoon. Brighter spells improving to sunny spells for the late afternoon as showers thin out so what. Snow level around 500m lowering 300m by late evening.

Maximum wind: North mean 15-20 mph with gusts reaching 30 mph across most exposed ridges and summits.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40% becoming 80% later.

Visibility: Good or very good, lowering moderate to poor in rain showers, very poor in snow and hill fog, as bases lower 500-800m.

Temperature: **Glens:** Zero Celsius increasing 9 Celsius for the afternoon
At 800m: Minus 3 Celsius lowering minus 5 Celsius later
Freezing level: 600m lowering 400m later

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